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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Raphael J. Mannino *et al.*

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For: COCHLEATE PREPARATIONS OF FRAGILE  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 29, 2007 for the above-identified application. A request for an appropriate extension of time and the requisite fees are filed herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.